

Math 12: Final Exam

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Instructions: There are 8 questions on this exam for a total of 100 points. You may not use any outside materials (eg. notes, calculators, cell phones, etc.). You have 3 hours to complete this exam. Remember to fully justify your answers.

Problem 1 (12 Points). Find the following limits:

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\ln x - 2}{x^2 - 3x}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sinh x}{x}$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cot x$

Proof.

(a) This is of the form $\frac{0}{0}$ so we apply l'Hopital's rule to get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\ln x - 2}{x^2 - 3x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1/(x-2)}{2x-3} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

(b) This is of the form $\frac{0}{0}$ so we apply l'Hopital's rule to get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sinh x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1/2(e^x - e^{-x})}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1/2(e^x + e^{-x})}{1} = 1.$$

(c) This is of the form $0 \cdot \infty$ so we apply l'Hopital's rule to the fraction

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cot x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\tan x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sec^2 x} = 1.$$

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Problem 2 (12 Points). Evaluate the following integrals:

(a) $\int \frac{x+3}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} dx.$

(b) $\int \frac{dx}{x^3 + x^2 - 2x}.$

(c) $\int x \sec^2 x dx.$

Proof.

(a) We make the trig substitution $x = 3 \sin \theta$

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{x+3}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} dx &= \int \frac{3 \sin \theta + 3}{\sqrt{9-9 \sin^2 \theta}} 3 \cos \theta d\theta \\ &= \int 3 \sin \theta + 3 d\theta \\ &= -3 \cos \theta + 3\theta + C \\ &= -\sqrt{9-x^2} + 3 \arcsin \frac{x}{3} + C.\end{aligned}$$

(b) We factor and use partial fractions to see

$$\frac{1}{x^3+x^2-2x} = \frac{1}{x(x+2)(x-1)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+2} + \frac{C}{x-1}$$

and so we have to solve

$$A(x+2)(x-1) + Bx(x-1) + Cx(x+2) = 1.$$

So we choose $x = 0$ to get $A = -\frac{1}{2}$, $x = -2$ to get $B = \frac{1}{6}$, and $x = 1$ to get $C = \frac{1}{3}$. So we integrate

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{dx}{x^3+x^2-2x} &= \int \frac{-1/2}{x} + \frac{1/6}{x+2} + \frac{1/3}{x-1} dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \ln|x| + \frac{1}{6} \ln|x+2| + \frac{1}{3} \ln|x-1| + C.\end{aligned}$$

(c) Applying integration by parts with $u = x$ and $dv = \sec^2 x dx$ we get

$$\int x \sec^2 x dx = x \tan x - \int \tan x dx = x \tan x + \ln|\cos x| + C.$$

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Problem 3 (8 Points). For each of the following improper integrals, determine whether it converges or diverges, and if it converges, find its value.

(a) $\int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2-2x+5}$.

(b) $\int_0^9 \frac{dx}{(x-1)^{4/3}}$.

Proof.

(a) This is an improper integral and we need to complete the square in the denominator to get

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2-2x+5} = \lim_{c \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^c \frac{dx}{(x-1)^2+4}$$

We notice that this is of the form $\frac{1}{u^2+a^2}$ with $a = 2$ and $u = x - 1$ so we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{c \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^c \frac{dx}{(x-1)^2 + 4} &= \lim_{c \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} \arctan \frac{x-1}{2} \right)_1^c \\ &= \lim_{c \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \arctan \frac{c-1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

So this integral converges and has value $\frac{\pi}{4}$.

(b) Notice that there is a discontinuity at $x = 1$ so we have

$$\int_0^9 \frac{dx}{(x-1)^{4/3}} = \lim_{c \rightarrow 1} \int_0^c \frac{dx}{(x-1)^{4/3}} + \lim_{d \rightarrow 1} \int_d^9 \frac{dx}{(x-1)^{4/3}}$$

Since

$$\int \frac{dx}{(x-1)^{4/3}} = -3(x-1)^{-1/3}$$

we get

$$\int_0^9 \frac{dx}{(x-1)^{4/3}} = \left(\lim_{c \rightarrow 1} -3(c-1)^{-1/3} - 3 \right) + \left(\lim_{d \rightarrow 1} -3(d-1)^{-1/3} + \frac{3}{2} \right) = \infty$$

so this integral diverges.

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Problem 4 (8 Points). Let R be the region bounded by the curves $y = x^2$ and $y = x + 2$.

- Set up (but *don't* evaluate) an integral for the volume of the solid obtained by rotating R about the x -axis.
- Set up (but *don't* evaluate) an integral for the volume of the solid obtained by rotating R about the line $x = 2$.

Proof. The intersection points of the curve and the line are $x = -1$ and $x = 2$.

- The cross sections are washers so we have

$$V = \pi \int_{-1}^2 (x+2)^2 - (x^2)^2 dx.$$

- The cross sections are cylindrical shells so we have

$$V = 2\pi \int (2-x)(x+2-x^2) dx.$$

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Problem 5 (10 Points). Consider the curve given by $x = \sin^3 t$ and $y = \cos^3 t$ from $t = 0$ to $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

- (a) Find the tangent line(s) to the curve at $\left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8}, \frac{1}{8}\right)$.
- (b) Find the length of the curve.

Proof. We compute

$$\begin{aligned}x' &= 3 \sin^2 t \cos t \\y' &= -3 \cos^2 t \sin t.\end{aligned}$$

- (a) The t value for this point occurs where $\cos t = \frac{1}{2}$ and so $t = \frac{\pi}{3}$. So the tangent line has slope

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y'}{x'} = -\frac{\cos t}{\sin t} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}.$$

Then the line is given by

$$y - \frac{1}{8} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left(x - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8} \right)$$

which simplifies to

$$y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}x + \frac{1}{2}.$$

- (b) For the arclength we have

$$\begin{aligned}s &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{9 \sin^4 t \cos^2 t + 9 \cos^4 t \sin^2 t} dt \\&= \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{9 \sin^2 t \cos^2 t (\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t)} dt \\&= \int_0^{\pi/2} 3 \sin t \cos t dt \\&= \left(\frac{3}{2} \sin^2 t \right)_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{3}{2}.\end{aligned}$$

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Problem 6 (6 Points). Let C_1 be the curve given by the polar coordinates equation $r = 2 \sin \theta$, $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$, and let C_2 be the curve given by the polar coordinates equation $r = 1$. Find the area of the region inside C_1 and outside C_2 .

Proof. $r = 1$ is a circle of radius 1 centered at $(0, 0)$ and $r = 2 \sin \theta$ is a circle of radius 1 centered at $(0, 1)$. We find the points of intersection as

$$2 \sin \theta = 1$$

and so $\theta = \{\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}\}$. So we have for the area

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \int_{\pi/4}^{3\pi/4} \frac{1}{2} (4 \sin^2 \theta - 1) d\theta \\
 &= \int_{\pi/4}^{3\pi/4} 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos 2\theta) \right) - \frac{1}{2} d\theta \\
 &= \int_{\pi/4}^{3\pi/4} \frac{1}{2} - \cos 2\theta d\theta \\
 &= \left(\frac{\theta}{2} - \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} \right)_{\pi/4}^{3\pi/4} \\
 &= \frac{3\pi}{8} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{8} + \frac{1}{2} \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{4} + 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

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Problem 7 (6 Points). Find the area of the surface obtained when the curve $y = \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{1}{2x}$ for $1 \leq x \leq 2$ is rotated about the y -axis.

Proof. We compute

$$y' = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2x^2}$$

and so

$$1 + (y')^2 = \frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4x^4} = \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2x^2} \right)^2$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= 2\pi \int_1^2 x \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2x^2} \right) dx = 2\pi \left(\frac{1}{8}x^4 + \frac{1}{2} \ln|x| \right)_1^2 \\
 &= 2\pi \left(2 + \ln 2 - \frac{1}{8} - 0 \right) = 2\pi \left(\frac{7}{8} + \ln 2 \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

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Problem 8 (12 Points). Determine whether each series converges absolutely, converges conditionally, or diverges. Justify your answers.

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(n+10)}{n^2 + 10n}$.

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{2^n n^2}$.

$$(c) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n+2}.$$

Proof.

(a) We know that $|\cos x| \leq 1$ and so

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\cos(n+10)}{n^2+10n} \right| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+10n} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}.$$

The last sequence is a p -series with $n = 2$ and so is convergent, so by the comparison test $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\cos(n+10)}{n^2+10n} \right|$ converges and hence $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(n+10)}{n^2+10n}$ converges absolutely.

(b) Applying the ratio test we see

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)!}{2^{n+1}(n+1)^2} \cdot \frac{2^n n^2}{n!} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)n^2}{2(n+1)^2} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \frac{n^2}{n+1} = \infty \end{aligned}$$

So the series diverges.

(c) Applying the alternating series test we have that the series is decreasing since

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{n+3} < \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n+2} = a_n$$

and that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n+2} = 0$$

so the series is convergent. However, using the limit comparison test with the divergent series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ with the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left| (-1)^n \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n+2} \right| = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n+2}$ we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n+2} \cdot \sqrt{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+2} = 1$$

and so both series diverge and hence $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left| (-1)^n \frac{\sqrt{n}}{n+2} \right|$ is conditionally convergent.

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Problem 9 (8 Points). Find the interval of convergence of the power series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(x+2)^n}{2^n \ln n}$.

Proof. We apply the ratio test:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(x+2)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1} \ln(n+1)} \cdot \frac{2^n \ln n}{(x+2)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x+2| \left| \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln n} \right|.$$

We apply L'Hopital's Rule to get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x+2| \left| \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x+2}{2} \right| \left| \frac{n}{n+1} \right| = \left| \frac{x+2}{2} \right|.$$

So we have $R = 2$ and convergence for $-4 < x < 0$. We now check the end points.

For $x = 0$ we have the series

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ln n}$$

and we know $\frac{1}{\ln n} > \frac{1}{n}$ for all $n \geq 2$. Also $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ diverges as p -series. So we have that $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(x+2)^n}{2^n \ln n}$ diverges at $x = 0$.

For $x = -4$ we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\ln n}$$

so we apply the alternating series test. Since $\ln x$ is an increasing function $\frac{1}{\ln x}$ is a decreasing function and so $a_{n+1} < a_n$ for all $n \geq 2$. We also know $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln n = \infty$ and so $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ln n} = 0$. So this is a convergent alternating series.

Therefore, the interval of convergence is $-4 \leq x < 0$ or $[-4, 0)$. □

Problem 10 (6 Points). Find the Taylor series for $\frac{1}{x}$ about 1.

Proof. Successively taking derivatives we see that

$$f^{(n)}(x) = \frac{(-1)^n n!}{x^{n+1}}$$

So we get that

$$c_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(x)}{n!} = (-1)^n.$$

Therefore, the series is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (x-1)^n.$$

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Problem 11 (6 Points).

(a) Find a formula for the finite sum $\sum_{k=1}^n \left[\frac{k-1}{2k-1} - \frac{k}{2k+1} \right]$. (Hint: Write out a few terms.)

(b) Find $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{k-1}{2k-1} - \frac{k}{2k+1} \right]$.

Proof.

(a) We have the telescoping sum

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{k=1}^n \left[\frac{k-1}{2k-1} - \frac{k}{2k+1} \right] &= \left(0 - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{5} \right) + \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{3}{7} \right) + \cdots + \left(\frac{n-1}{2n-1} - \frac{n}{2n+1} \right) \\ &= -\frac{n}{2n+1}.\end{aligned}$$

(b) Since the sum of a series is the limit of its sequence of partial sums we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{k-1}{2k-1} - \frac{k}{2k+1} \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{n}{2n+1} = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

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Problem 12 (10 Points). Use power series to estimate $\int_0^{1/2} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} dx$ to within 1/100.

Proof. Recall that the MacLaurin series for $\ln(1+x)$ is given by

$$\ln(1+x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n} = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \cdots$$

so we have

$$\frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^{n-1}}{n} = 1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \cdots.$$

Evaluating the integral yields

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{1/2} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} &= \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n^2} \right)_0^{1/2} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x - \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{x^3}{9} - \cdots \right)_0^{1/2} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{2^n n^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{72} - \frac{1}{400} + \cdots.\end{aligned}$$

Since this is an alternating series, the remainder $|R_n| \leq a_{n+1}$ so we need the first 3 terms which is

$$\int_0^{1/2} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} \approx \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{72}.$$

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